

## **REMARKS**

### **Introduction**

Claims 1-8 have been cancelled without prejudice. New claims 9-28 are submitted herewith. A substitute specification, abstract, and amended drawings are also submitted herewith.

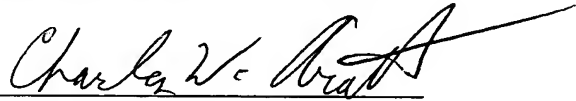
### **Final Remarks**

Applicants submit that claims 9-28 are in condition for allowance. Such allowance is respectfully requested.

If necessary, Applicants request that this Amendment be considered a request for an extension of time for a time appropriate for the response to be timely filed. Applicants request that any required fees for filing this Amendment be charged to the account of Bose McKinney & Evans LLP, Deposit Account Number 02-3223.

Respectfully submitted,

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